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The Department of External Affairs announced today the following transfers and appointments:

Mr. Graham McInnes, formerly of the National Film Board, joined the Department on August 2. He will be in the Information Division.

Mr. Jean Fournier, who has been attending the National Defence College, Kingston, as a student, is returning to Ottawa where he will be seconded to the Privy Council.

Mr. John Teakles of the Under-Secretary's office will replace Mr. Fournier at the National Defence College.

Mr. Paul Emile Morin has been posted from the Canadian Consulate in Lisbon, Portugal, to the European Division of the Department in Ottawa. He is expected to arrive on August 14.

Mr. Arthur Edward Blanchette of the Information Division has been posted to the Canadian Embassy at Mexico and will leave Ottawa in September.

Graham McInnes

Mr. McInnes was born in London, England, on February 18, 1912. In 1919 he moved with his family to Australia where he attended Scotch College in Melbourne and the University of Melbourne (B.A. 1933, M.A. 1942). From 1935 to 1940 he was art critic with "Saturday Night" in Toronto; at the same time he did extensive broadcasting for C.B.C. and writing on art and general cultural subjects. From 1938 to 1941 he lectured on art appreciation in the Extension Department of the University of Toronto. He joined the National Film Board in 1941 as writer and editor and was appointed a producer the following year. From 1945 to the present he has been Co-ordinator of Graphics in charge of all non-film operations. Mr. McInnes is the author of "A Short History of Canadian Art" and has also written and lectured widely on Canada's part in UNESCO.

Jean Fournier

Mr. Fournier was born in Montreal on July 8, 1914.

He was educated at the Boys' High School of Quebec and Laval University, graduating in 1938. That year he was awarded the Jacques Cartier Travelling Scholarship for study in France. Mr. Fournier went overseas with the Royal Canadian Artillery early in 1940. He became Brigade Major of the 15th Canadian Infantry Brigade and returned to National Defence Headquarters in November, 1943. He joined the Department in April, 1944, as Third Secretary. During 1944 he also served as secretary during the Commonwealth Air Conversations at Montreal and secretary to the Canadian delegation to the International Air Conference in Chicago. From November, 1945, to December, 1947, he was